

1120 SW Fifth Avenue, Room 1000, Portland, Oregon 97204 Nick Fish, Commissioner Dean Marriott, Director

October 22, 2014

Memorandum

To: Mayor Hales Commissioner Fish Commissioner Fritz Commissioner Novick Commissioner Saltzman

From: Dean Marriott

Re: Presentation on the Ten Years of Successful implementation of the Streamlining Agreement

On February 14, 2003 the City of Portland agreed to participate in a unique Streamlining Agreement that began with Army Corps of Engineers, National Marine Fisheries Service and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to streamline Endangered Species Act Section 7 consultations. In 2006, Department of State Lands, Department of Environmental Quality and Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and the City's Bureau of Development Services were formally invited to join the Streamlining Team.

The Streamlining Team operates under two simple guiding principles: (1) early reviews give agencies a chance to provide input into project designs, helping to avoid future problems; and (2) working in a unified manner allows the agencies to deliver timely and consistent decisions. The results show that this approach works. Since 2003, Streamlining Team member agencies issued 168 permits to 57 city-sponsored projects.

On average, final approvals were concurrently issued in five months or less (4.95 months for the Army Corps of Engineers; 3.25 months for the Oregon Department of State Lands; and 3.24 months for the Bureau of Development Services), as compared to reported approval times of a year or more for private sector applicants. For more complicated projects that required a longer review time, the Streamlining Team provided a forum for resolving issues and allowing the project to move forward.

On October 22, Mike Reed will present a brief history of the Streamlining Agreement to Council, followed by by faculty from the Center for Public Service, Hatfield School of Government who will present their independent assessment of the City's streamlining team process. The Ten Year Status Report and Fact Sheet will be available on the Bureau of Environmental Services' website at: http://www.portlandoregon.gov/bes/58878.

I invite the City Council to extend our appreciation to our federal and state agency partners, and BDS, for continuing to commit time, staff and resources to make this one of a kind streamlining arrangement successful. I ask City Council to agree to commit the City to another five years of collaboration in the Streamlining Agreement.

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Agenda No. REPORT Title

Accept Streamlining Agreement - Ten Year Status Update (Report) Report : 2003-2013



AGENDA	FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
TIME CERTAIN 🖂 Start time: 9:30 am			YEAS	NAYS
Total amount of time needed: <u>30 minutes</u> (for presentation, testimony and discussion)	1. Fritz	1. Fritz	\checkmark	
	2. Fish	2. Fish		
CONSENT	3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman	~	
REGULAR Total amount of time needed: (for presentation, testimony and discussion)	4. Novick	4. Novick	\checkmark	
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